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THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS FOR STEAMERS AND PEARL HARBOR

Pacific Mail Threatens To Quit Business

CUNARD LINE ON PACIFIC WOULD LAY UP ITS NINETEEN STEAMERS

SCHWERIN SAYS THAT THE POLICY OF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT IS DRIVING HIS COMPANY TO THE WALL—A BITTER ATTACK ON THE LAWS WHICH HELP THE FOREIGN STEAMERS ON THE PACIFIC.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 11.—Negotiations are on foot between the Cunard Line and the Grand Trunk Railroad of Canada for joint handling of the Canadian passenger and freight traffic. The scheme contemplates a line of Cunard steamships direct from Liverpool to Canada, and from the Pacific coast to Japan, China and Australia.

The Cunard Line is the one operating the new Lusitania and Mauretania.

NEW YORK, November 22.—Declaring that the United States government, through its policy of interference and unwise legislation, had ruined its business and that to continue would entail an annual loss which its directors would not sanction, R. P. Schwerin, president of the Pacific Mail Steamship line, said tonight that the company would not apply for a renewal of its charter on its expiration on April 15th and would go out of business on that date.

United States is Doing for the Merchant Marine on the Pacific Coast. He referred to the liberal subsidies which are granted on the Pacific to British, German and Japanese vessels, and stated that two magnificent vessels were to be added to one Japanese line, which has already increased its fleet by three additional ships in comparatively recent times.

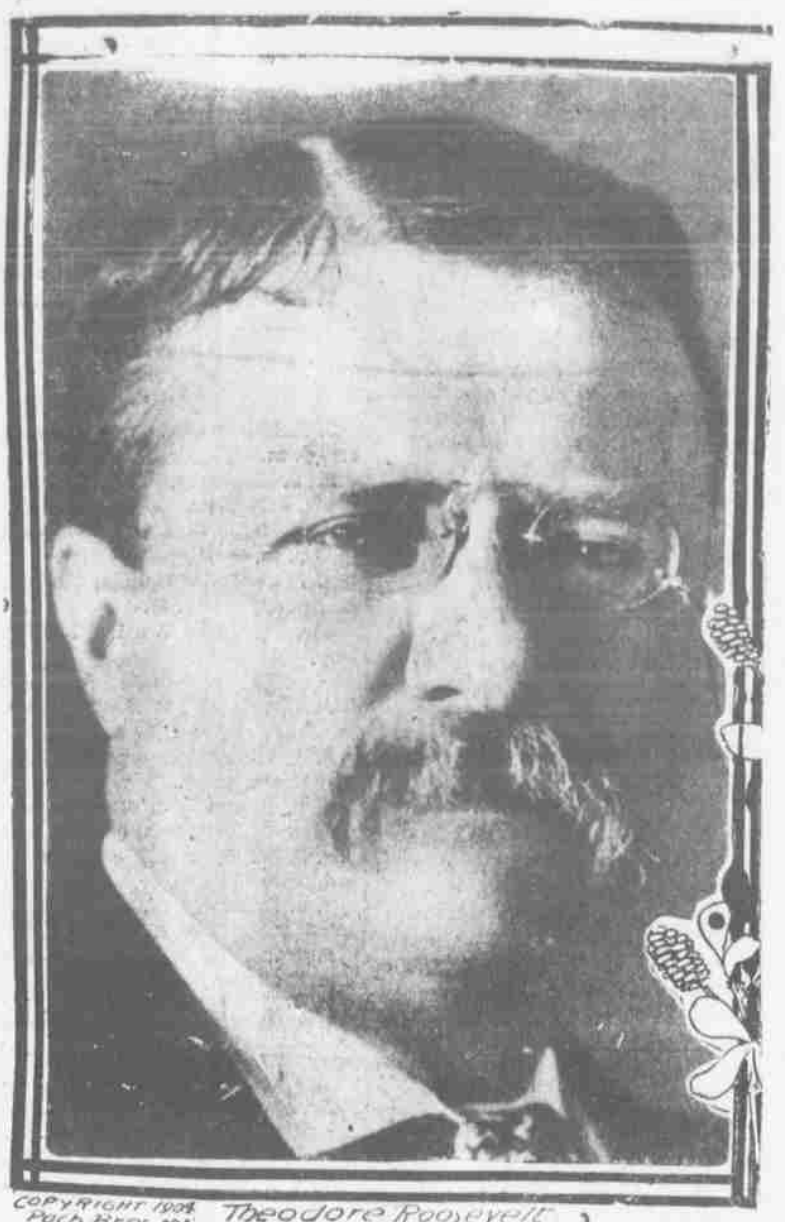
This statement was made at a dinner of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers, at which several hundred of the best known shipbuilders of the country were present, tonight at Delmonico's.

Schwerin said that he had asked to be left off the list of speakers, but when called on and once on his feet said he "felt it incumbent upon him to tell the truth about the most deplorable state of affairs, which bids fair to drive our flag from the Pacific ocean as well as from the Atlantic."

His speech was tinged with bitterness and assailed the Government's attitude toward shipping on the Pacific, and declared that the present policy bade fair to drive the American flag from the Pacific, as well as from the Atlantic. His line, he said, was losing money as a result of the operations of the interstate commerce law.

Foreign rivals, who could change their rates at will, had piled up \$5,000,000 in assets, he said, while the American line, compelled to give thirty days' notice of a new passenger rate, was dropping between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000 in hopeless competition.

Schwerin's subject was What the



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JAPAN WANTS EXPLANATION

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 2.—Ambassador Aoki has been summoned to Tokyo to explain the Japanese immigration situation.

HONGKONG MARU KEPT OFF PORT

FAILURE TO GET THE PROPER HEALTH PAPERS CAUSED HER SOME DELAY.

Toyo Kisen Kaisha S. S. Hongkong Maru went through all necessary precautions as to health before leaving San Francisco, fumigation and the rest of it, but neglected to get the essential final touch, to wit: the autograph of Chief Hobdy of the Federal health department to the certificate that she had done as she was supposed to do.

The sad result was that when she got off this port early today the local health officials, not seeing any certificate that she had done thus and so, ordered her to remain outside until Dr. Hobdy could be communicated with by cable and an answer received.

Hobdy was wired and about 11 o'clock this morning back came the reply that the Hongkong Maru had complied with all requirements and she might enter here as far as Hobdy was concerned.

Having no sickness aboard she was allowed to dock soon after 1 o'clock this afternoon. She is scheduled to sail for the Orient at 6 o'clock this evening. Mail was ashore at 10:30 this morning, as were the cabin passengers.

HOLIDAY SHOPPING AT SACHS'. Christmas shopping is made easy at the Sachs' store. Prompt and courteous service and lots of light, air and room. Many new goods arrived in the S. S. Alameda and are now on display.

NO LET UP IN HIS "POLICIES" REASON FOR PROSPERITY

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 3.—President Roosevelt's message to Congress was read at the opening of today's session.

The message opens by saying that no national resources are greater than ours, that business conditions are sound, and that it is foolish to hoard money and create financial stringency.

The President further says that the war against successful dishonesty will be continued, thus repeating his declaration made during panic days, that if his policies did cause such troubles, he intended to pursue them to the end.

The President urges the extension of the ocean mail service and giving aid to American vessels.

Regarding Hawaii the President says: "The unfortunate failure of the shipping bill in the last session of the Congress was followed by the taking off of certain Pacific steamships, which greatly hampered movements of passengers between Hawaii and the Mainland."

"Unless the Congress is prepared by positive encouragement to secure proper facilities in the way of shipping between Hawaii and the Mainland, the coastwise shipping laws should be relaxed to prevent Hawaii suffering again."

"I again call your attention to the capital importance from every standpoint of making Pearl Harbor available for the largest deep water vessels and suitably fortifying the islands."

DID KUHIO MAKE A BAD BREAK?

The San Francisco Call says editorially: "Hon. Jonah Kuhio Kalanianohe has incurred the wrath of the Navy Department. . . . The Hawaiian gentleman, being a delegate to congress, was requested by the general navy board to work up a sentiment in favor of fortifying Pearl Harbor in order that congress might feel impressed by the apparently imperative and spontaneous public demand. The Hon. Jonah, etc., was not to appear in the matter anywhere and was asked to treat the communication as strictly confidential. But Jonah had no idea of effacing himself in that manner. Straightway on receipt of the letter from the navy board he took it to all the newspapers to show how great a man he had become in the national councils. The result may be that congress will refuse the appropriation on the ground that the navy board has been caught lobbying and pulling wires. There are some fine old crusty bureaucrats in Washington who wish that the newest Jonah had found his fit berth in the belly of a whale and stayed there."

In connection with the foregoing, it is recalled that Admiral Very, a naval officer, has not made any secret of his advocacy of Pearl Harbor appropriations, or advice to Honolulu merchants to agitate for them. The admiral was quite openly instrumental in having a meeting called to urge the matter and he delivered an address himself.

In the foreclosure proceeding of J. D. McInerney vs. Kaulea, et al., the commissioner's report was this morning approved by Judge De Bolt, and a deed ordered executed.

CALHOUN TRIAL SET

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.) SAN FRANCISCO, December 3.—Calhoun, the trolley magnate, will be tried on Thursday. He is charged with bribery.

TAFT IN THE CAPITAL

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.) ST. PETERSBURG, December 3.—U. S. Secretary of War W. H. Taft reached this city today from Moscow and was welcomed with all honors.

FORD CASE

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.) SAN FRANCISCO, December 3.—The case of Tires Ford, charged with bribery, goes to the jury today.

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BRADLEY ACQUITTED

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.) WASHINGTON, D. C., December 3.—Mrs. Bradley, who has been on trial for the murder of Senator Brown in his room at the Raleigh Hotel last year, was found not guilty by a jury today.

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